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1. In May 1954 a total of 51,413,908 kg of various goods were transported in 2,734 freight cars through the Czechoslovak-Austrian border stations Devinska Nova Ves (P49/X89) - Marchegg (P49/S70) in both directions. Of this quantity 46,646,410 kg in 2,283 carloads and 121 various containers went from Marchegg to Devinska Nova Ves, and 4,767,498 kg in 351 carloads and 22 containers went in the opposite direction. The following goods were involved: 25X1

A.	Metals	599,180 kg in	29 carloads
B.	Metal goods	906,875 kg in	69 carloads & 55 cases
C.	Chemicals	1,735,256 kg in	137 carloads & 34 containers
D.	Liquid & hard fuels	42,374,970 kg in	2,143 carloads
E.	Textiles	21,965 kg in	2 carloads
F.	Foodstuffs	2,726,638 kg in	154 carloads
G.	Lumber	2,316,450 kg in	146 carloads
H.	Other items	732,574 kg in	55 carloads & 54 boxes
	Total	51,413,908 kg in	2,734 carloads & 143 various containers

Apart from this, 1,427 empty tankers went through the two border stations, 1,325 from Poland and 69 from the CSR to Austria for refilling, and 33 in the opposite direction (mostly to Poland for repair).

2. Shipments in the direction Marchegg - Devinska Nova Ves during May 1954 went to the following countries in the following quantities:

	Czechoslovakia:		Poland:		Hungary:		Total:	
	kg	cars	kg	cars	kg	cars	kg	cars
A.	599,180	29	-	-	-	-	599,180	29
B.	39,546	3	75,192	7	640,469	37	755,207	47
C.	99,170	6	35,529	3	-	-	134,699	9
D.	-	-	42,374,970	2,143	-	-	42,374,970	2,143
E.	-	-	21,965	2	-	-	21,965	2
F.	687,399	51	-	-	1,892,500	91	2,579,899	142
G.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H.	115,683	6	12,005	1	6,847	1	134,535	8
Total	1,540,978	95	42,519,661	2,156	2,539,816	129	46,600,455	2,380

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In addition there were three carloads (45,955 kg) of tin sheets to Eastern Germany bringing the total of metal goods to 801,162 kg in 50 carloads and the grand total to 46,646,410 kg in 2,383 carloads.

These goods came from the following countries in the following quantities:

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	Austria:						Total:	
	kg	cars	kg	cars	kg	cars	kg	cars
A.	599,180	29	-	-	-	-	599,180	29
B.	696,012	40	75,192	7	29,958	3	801,162	50
C.	10,000	1	91,312	5	33,387	3	134,699	9
D.	42,374,970	2,143	-	-	-	-	42,374,970	2,143
E.	-	-	21,965	2	-	-	21,965	2
F.	-	-	687,399	51	1,892,500	91	2,579,899	142
G.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H.	8,581	1	125,954	7	-	-	134,535	8
Total	43,688,743	2,214	1,001,822	72	1,955,845	97	46,646,410	2,383

(Abbreviations: AU - Austria
CSR - Czechoslovakia
EG - Eastern Germany
PO - Poland
cld(s) - carload(s)
DNV - Devinska Nova Ves)

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3. Imports to the CSR via Marchegg - DNV were composed of:

a. Metals (pyrite - unspecified) 599,180 kg
in 29 clds to Slovakia (Martin, Zilina and Ruzomberok)
from Vienna

b. Metal goods 39,546 kg
in three clds (2 AU; & 55 cases (AU)

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(1) Aluminum semi-finished products (unspecified) 19,855 kg
in one cld to Bratislava from Vienna

(2) Construction parts (unspecified) 7,074 kg
in one cld to Bratislava from AU (Inzersdorf)

(3) Umbrella struts 5,095 kg
in 48 cases to Bratislava from Vienna

(4) Electric compressors 4,312 kg
in one cld to Novaky (Q49/T97)

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(5) Stove parts (Ofenteile) 2,540 kg
in six cases to Kysucke Nove Mesto (Q50/X52) from AU
(Stadlau)

(6) Expansion switch (Expansionschalter) 670 kg
in one case to Dubnica (P49/T69) from Vienna

c. Chemicals 99,170 kg
in six clds (5 IT; 1 AU)

(1) Electrode coal paste 89,170 kg
in five clds to DNV

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(2) Burnt magnesite 10,000 kg
in one cld to Bratislava from AU (Bruck)

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d. Foodstuffs in 31 clds [redacted] 687,399 kg 25X1

(1) Oranges in 26 clds to DNV from various stations [redacted] 342,440 kg 25X1

(2) Soybeans in eight clds to Komarno (P48/Y76) [redacted] 115,000 kg 25X1

(3) Lemons in seven clds to DNV from various stations [redacted] 95,150 kg 25X1

(4) Wine in four clds to Bratislava [redacted] 69,820 kg

(5) Green coffee beans in two clds to Bratislava 23,019 kg 25X1

(6) Almonds in shells in two clds to Piestany (P49/T44) [redacted] 18,333 kg 25X1

(7) Sea fish in one cld to Bratislava [redacted] 12,046 kg

(8) Cheese in one cld to Bratislava 11,591 kg 25X1

e. Other items in six clds (TR) & 32 boxes (AU) 115,683 kg

(1) Natural asphalt in six clds to Bratislava [redacted] 113,949 kg 25X1

(2) Collective consignments in 32 boxes to Bratislava from Vienna 1,734 kg

4. The goods consigned to Poland consisted of:

a. Liquid fuels in 2,103 tankers from AU 42,374,970 kg

(1) Crude oil in 1,373 tankers from Vienna 23,714,110 kg
to: Trzebinia 19,547,530 kg in 1,135 tankers
Jedlice 4,166,580 kg in 238 tankers

(2) Gas oil in 668 tankers from Vienna 16,073,790 kg
to: Gdynia 4,608,270 kg in 193 tankers
Ostrzyki Dolne 3,358,540 kg in 134 tankers
Nova Sol 2,453,450 kg in 99 tankers
Kozle 2,284,390 kg in 97 tankers
Wroclaw 1,919,960 kg in 92 tankers
Slawiecice 1,057,660 kg in 38 tankers
[redacted] 391,520 kg in 15 tankers

(3) Gasoline in 101 tankers from Vienna 2,545,950 kg
to: Slawiecice 1,445,400 kg in 58 tankers
Wroclaw 1,100,550 kg in 43 tankers

(4) Petroleum in one tanker to Pierawa from Vienna 41,120 kg

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b. Metal goods — 75,192 kg
in seven clds [redacted] which contained: 25X1

electric stoves	53,614 kg in	4 clds
auto spare parts	17,628 kg in	2 clds
ironware (unspecified)	3,950 kg in	1 cld

c. Chemicals — 35,529 kg
in three clds & 34 barrels which contained:

cellulose wool	33,387 kg in	3 clds [redacted] 25X1
oxide (unspecified)	2,142 kg in	34 barrels [redacted] 25X1

d. Textiles (artificial silk) — 21,965 kg
in two clds [redacted] 25X1

e. Other items (collective consignments) — 12,005 kg
in one cld [redacted] 25X1

5. The goods consigned to Hungary consisted of:

a. Foodstuffs (flour) — 1,892,500 kg
in 91 clds to Fanreve [redacted] 25X1

b. Metal goods — 640,469 kg
in 37 clds [redacted] which contained: 25X1

sheet iron	412,633 kg in	23 clds from AU
steel rods	147,700 kg in	9 clds from AU
iron wire	54,490 kg in	3 clds from AU
machinery spare parts	25,646 kg in	2 clds [redacted] 25X1

c. Other items (collective consignments) — 6,947 kg
in one cld from AU

6. The only items transported to Eastern Germany (Bad Schandau) via Marchegg - DNV in May 1954 were 45,955 kg of thin metal sheets (Feinbleche) in three clds from Vienna.

7. Shipments in the direction DNV - Marchegg during May 1954 went to the following countries in the following quantities:

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	Austria: kg	cars	[redacted] kg	cars	X kg	cars	Total: kg	cars
A.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.	69,544	13	-	-	36,169	5	105,713	18
C.	925,570	76	145,400	10	529,587	42	1,600,557	128
D.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
F.	29,280	5	-	-	117,459	7	146,739	12
G.	-	-	485,320	32	1,831,130	114	2,316,450	146
H.	25,459	4	75,937	7	496,643	36	598,039	47
Total	1,049,853	98	706,657	49	3,010,988	204	4,767,498	351

These goods came from the following countries in the following quantities:

	Czechoslovakia: kg	cars	Poland: kg	cars	Hungary: kg	cars	Total: kg	cars
A.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.	91,144	17	-	-	14,569	1	105,713	18
C.	1,600,557	128	-	-	-	-	1,600,557	128
D.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
F.	141,739	11	-	-	5,000	1	146,739	12
G.	2,316,450	146	-	-	-	-	2,316,450	146
H.	531,161	41	-	-	66,878	6	598,039	47
Total	4,681,051	343	-	-	86,447	8	4,767,498	351

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8. Exports from the CSR[1] via DNV - Marchegg were composed of:

a. Metal goods — 91,144 kg
in 17 clds (13 AU; [redacted]) 25X1

(1) Electric refrigerators — 74,240 kg
in 14 clds from Zlate Moravce (Q49/T83)
to: AU (Arnoldstein) 52,640 kg in 10 clds
[redacted] 21,600 kg in 4 clds 25X1

(2) Parts of a steam turbine — 7,500 kg
in one cld from Senica nad Myjavou (P49/T05)
to AU (Baden)

(3) Cast Bath tubs — 6,300 kg
in one cld from Bratislava to Vienna

(4) Steam engine — 3,098 kg
in one cld from Trnava (P49/T22) to Vienna

b. Chemicals — 1,500,557 kg
in 128 clds (76 AU; [redacted]) 25X1

(1) Charcoal — 1,324,470 kg
in 111 clds from Hnusta (Q49/D33) & DNV
to: AU (Konkordiahuette, Landeck, Florisdorf, Kapfenberg & Marchegg)
915,570 kg in 75 clds
[redacted] 388,900 kg in 34 clds 25X1
20,000 kg in 2 clds

(2) Cellulose — 222,327 kg
in 13 clds from Martin (Q50/C69), Ruzomberok (Q50/C99), and Zilina (Q50/092)
[redacted] 140,687 kg in 8 clds 25X1
81,640 kg in 5 clds

(3) Starch — 40,000 kg 25X1
in three clds from Boleraz (P49/T13)
[redacted] (Au [redacted]) 30,000 kg in 2 clds 25X1
AU (Baden bei Wien) 10,000 kg in 1 cld

(4) Triethylene glycol — 12,760 kg
in one tanker from Novaky (Q49/T97) [redacted] 25X1

c. Foodstuffs — 141,739 kg
in 11 clds (6 IT; 5 AU)

(1) Malt — 112,459 kg
in six clds from Trnava [redacted] 25X1

(2) Sheep cheese (bryndza) — 29,280 kg
in five clds from Zvolen (Q49/C74) to Vienna

d. Lumber — 2,316,450 kg
in 148 clds [redacted] 25X1

(1) Cut lumber — 2,281,930 kg
in 144 clds from various stations in Slovakia
[redacted] 1,359,860 kg in 85 clds 25X1
485,320 kg in 32 clds
436,750 kg in 27 clds

(2) Telegraph poles — 19,470 kg
in one cld from Zvolen [redacted] 25X1

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(3) Hardboard sheets 15,050 kg
in one cld from Gasparovo (Q49/D26) 25X1

e. Other items 531,161 kg 25X1
in 41 clds 4 AU;) & 22 boxes (13 AU;)

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(1) Sets of crates (bednove supravy) 258,700 kg
in 13 clds from Liptovsky Hradok (Q50/D28)
and Poprad (Q50/D68)

(2) Sheet glass 195,409 kg
in 13 clds from DNV 25X1

(3) Wrapping paper 26,231 kg
in two clds from Ruzomberok 25X1

(4) Hollow glassware 17,007 kg
in four clds from Strieborna (Q49/D02), Utekac
(Q49/D24) and Lednicke Rovne (P50/060)
to: Vienna 12,245 kg in 3 clds
4,762 kg in 1 cld 25X1

(5) Newsprint 12,243 kg
in one cld from DNV to Vienna

(6) Medicinal herbs 10,545 kg
in two clds from DNV 25X1

(7) Animal fur 9,059 kg
in one cld from DNV 25X1

(8) Personal belongings 1,111 kg
in 13 boxes from DNV to Vienna (871 kg) and
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(9) Dried guts 756 kg
in eight boxes from DNV 25X1

9. Shipments from Hungary via DNV - Marchegg consisted of:

a. Other items 66,878 kg
in six clds which contained:

collective consignments 18,454 kg in 2 clds
18,424 kg in 2 clds 25X1
vetch seeds 30,000 kg in 2 clds

b. Metal goods (frames for electr.switchboards) 14,569 kg
in one cld 25X1

c. Foodstuffs (rice) 5,000 kg
in one cld 25X1

10. There were no shipments from Poland via DNV - Marchegg during May 1954.

1. Comment. The comparatively low export figure from the CSR on the 25X1
DNV - Marchegg line even after the repair of the Marchegg bridge 25X1
is due to the total absence of coal and coke shipments which 25X1
may be explained by the present acute shortage of coal in the CSR. The
absence of coal shipments on this line is noted here for the first time.
During 1953 coal shipments represented by far the largest item
(21,405,114 kg) in the CSR exports on the DNV - Marchegg line. 25X1

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